

ROGERS' DEATH  
A GREAT SHOCKTo the "Financial World" of  
the Country

## THE END CAME SUDDENLY

Standard Oil Millionaire Had Not Been  
in Good Health for Several Years.  
Henry H. Rogers Was a Leader  
of Finance.

New York, May 19.—Henry H. Rogers, the Standard Oil millionaire, died suddenly at his home here early today. The death of the great financier came as a great blow to the financial world. The announcement of the millionaire's death was a surprise, as he was at his office yesterday. Even his intimate friends could not realize that the news was true. The cause of death was apoplexy. Mr. Rogers was stricken at about 6:30 o'clock this morning. His wife was present at the time and a hurried call was sent for Dr. Fulley. He was unconscious until the end.

There had been no general knowledge that he was seriously ill, although it was known that he had been in poor health for several years. Lately he had retired much from Standard Oil interests.



HENRY H. ROGERS.

to devote his time to the Virginia railway in which he was much interested. His summer home was at Fairhaven, Mass., where he had remembered the town with many magnificent gifts.

At the office of the Standard Oil company it was said that later a statement might be issued on the career of Mr. Rogers.

Mr. Rogers was born in Fairhaven. Among the gifts to the town were a library, a town hall, a schoolhouse and a church. His new York City home was at 3 East 78th street. He was a member of the American Fine Arts society, the Metropolitan Museum of Art, and the American Museum of Natural History, and in club life he was a member of the Union League, the Engineers, the Metropolitan, and the New York Yacht club and the Lotos.

Mr. Rogers was at one time a large owner in Standard Oil, as well as being vice-president and a director. He also had been president and director of the following: Amalgamated Copper company, National Transit company, National Fuel gas company, New York Transit company, and the Richmond Light and Railroad company.

He was vice-president and trustee of the Anaconda Copper Mining company; vice-president and director of the Brooklyn Union Gas company and the United Metal Selling company; a trustee of the Mutual Life Insurance company of New York; a director of the United States Steel corporation, Atchafalaya, Topeka, and Santa Fe R. R. company, Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul R. R. company, Union Pacific R. R. company, New Jersey & Staten Island Ferry company, Atlas Tack company, Farmers Loan & Trust company, Guaranty Trust company, National Bank of Fairhaven, Tennessee Copper company, S. I. Midland R. R. company, and Atlantic Coast R. R. company.

DESPERATE YEGG  
IS UNDER ARRESTH. A. Scott, Caught at Baltimore, is  
Alleged to Be Wanted For  
Daring Robbery.

Boston, May 19.—Word was received in this city last night that Postoffice Inspector Lawrence Leatherman of Boston, aided by Inspectors Robinson and Moseley of his office and John O'Donnell, had arrested one of the most desperate yegg burglars in the country in Baltimore yesterday.

The prisoner is H. A. Scott, alias Lawrence Cockran, alias Belfountain Slim, who has police records all over the country for robbing postoffices and banks and blowing safes.

He is arrested now, charged with being one of the party of yeggs which robbed the bank at Newfane, Vt., on Aug. 4, 1904, and during the operation shot the watchman at the bank. Several of the police were arrested and one was shot, but he recovered.

Belfountain Slim escaped at the time, the police declare, with \$250, and he has been sought persistently ever since. He has been traced all over the country, and several times he has been followed through the New England states. He will be brought to Boston on his way to Vermont, where he will be held for trial. His pals are now serving long sentences in the Windsor prison in Vermont.

GAVE A RECEPTION  
TO NEW PRESIDENTBarre Hibernians and Their Allied Or-  
ganization Were Hosts at an In-  
structive and Pleasant Occa-  
sion Last Night.

In the Knights of Columbus hall in Seapoint block last night, Division No. 1, Ancient Order of Hibernians and Division No. 2, Ladies' Auxiliary, A. O. H., tendered a reception to the new state president of the order, Dr. Patrick Mahoney of Poughkeepsie.

Father Cray of St. Monica's church, this city, opened the exercises of the evening with some pertinent remarks concerning the teaching of Ireland's history to the Irish children of the present generation, and stated that the greatest purpose of the Ancient Order of Hibernians was to perpetuate faith and love for the motherland. He then felicitously introduced the principal speaker of the evening.

Dr. Mahoney began his address by saying that this was his first official visit to Barre since being elected to the highest position in the state order. He based his remarks chiefly on the great urgency of Irishmen studying their own country's history, and gave a brief outline of Ireland's history from the coming of St. Patrick in the fifth century. He spoke feelingly of the great Saint's many years of religious work and the untold amount of good he did. One hundred years after Saint Patrick's coming, he said, Ireland was known as the "island of saints and scholars."

So far advanced were the opportunities for learning in Ireland at this time that all Europe sent children there to be educated. Soon after this bands of missionaries from Ireland were sent in to all parts of the world to found seats of learning. The speaker then touched upon the period when the Irish people were down-trodden and suffered unknown hardships and notwithstanding held true to their belief in the faith of God.

"Because of their faith then, Ireland is not dead. Though oft doomed to death, she is fated not to die." The characteristic Irish quickness of intellect has been handed down through the ages and is the peer of any people's to-day. The aim and object of the Order of Hibernians when it was founded in Ireland, he said, was to protect the Irish priests from insult and injury while at their prayers and services. The speaker's final plea was for all true Irishmen to be loyal to their inherited faith.

Daniel J. Sullivan was next introduced and started off by saying "How-do-do," and then sang that good old Irish song, "The Wearing of the Green." He was applauded, and sang for an encore, "Sing Me an Irish Song."

County president, Daniel McGovern of Montpelier was called upon for remarks, and spoke of the recent visit of National President Cummings to Ireland for the purpose of unifying the different orders, and the great reception he had been accorded. He also spoke of the Irish traitors in this and other countries today.

John Callahan was next called upon, and responded by reciting in an interesting manner some Irish verses, entitled "Finian and Malloy." He was encored, and sang an original comic song, "Salvation Army."

The secretary of the state order, T. B. Wright of Burlington, followed with remarks in appreciation of the good work the Ladies' Auxiliary was doing and could do, and then the assembly joined in singing a patriotic song, "God Save Ireland."

After the program was finished, light refreshments of sandwiches, cake and coffee were served by the Ladies' Auxiliary. Dancing was enjoyed until a late hour. A good attendance was present, being composed of members from Montpelier, Granvilleville and other divisions of the order.

A HUGE MRS. RHINO.  
Animal Shot by Col. Roosevelt the Big-  
gest Ever Seen at Nairobi.

Nairobi, British East Africa, May 19.—Col. Roosevelt shot the largest female rhinoceros Sunday ever seen in this vicinity. After a desperate battle, the animal succumbed only after shots had been fired at it for hours. The beast weighed over a hundred pounds. The party left McMillan ranch on horseback in search of a hippopotamus when the rhinoceros was discovered. The natives now call Kermit Bwana Mito, or Little Master.

## HELD UP AND ROBBED.

Richford Man Relieved of \$4.85 on Mon-  
day Night.

Richford, May 19.—Frank Warner, Jr., was held up at the point of a revolver by two masked men as he was returning to his home about ten o'clock Monday evening and was relieved of \$4.85. The hold-up occurred on Harwood hill, not far from Main street. The opinion is expressed by some people that the hold-up was perpetrated by local young men of the reckless type and was done more in the nature of sport.

## DEATH AT NEWPORT.

George H. Flint, of Gilman & Co., Dry  
Goods, Dies Suddenly.

Newport, May 19.—George H. Flint, aged 50 years, senior member of Gilman & company, the largest dry goods store in Orleans county, died at 11 o'clock last night after a few days' illness with pleuro pneumonia. He is survived by a wife, who was the widow of George C. Gilman the founder of the store. Mr. Flint was prominent in Masonic circles.

## LICENSE FEE \$10.

For Fifth-Class Liquor Selling Privilege  
at Rutland.

Rutland, May 19.—The board of aldermen here last night granted fifth class liquor licenses to Louis A. Miner, Pratt & Levine and Theodore M. Barrett. The fee was fixed at \$10. It is probable that one more drugist license will be granted.

Providence, R. I., May 19.—Charles E. Hughes, Jr., son of Governor Hughes of New York and a senior at Brown university, was taken to the Rhode Island hospital last night suffering from a severe attack of cerebro spinal meningitis.

JUDGE CUTS  
BIG VERDICTConsiders \$11,000 Exces-  
sive in Rutland Co. Case

## AND GIVES WIDOW \$7,500

Mrs. Silas H. Davis Had Been Awarded  
Largest Damages Ever Awarded  
in Vermont in a Similar  
Case.

Rutland, May 19.—In Rutland county court today Judge E. L. Waterman cut to \$7,500 the verdict of \$11,000 given Mrs. Silas H. Davis of this city against the Rutland railroad some weeks ago as the result of the death of her husband, an engineer. Mr. Davis was killed when a freight car running wild down the mountain collided with his locomotive at East Charendon. The original verdict was the largest ever awarded in a similar case in this state. Judge Waterman considered the verdict excessive.

MAY SHOW MURDER  
IN RUTLAND DEATHAuthorities Take Up Case Which Has  
Developed in Finding of Otto Sand-  
strom's Body in West Rut-  
land Recently.

West Rutland, May 19.—Many of the elements entering into the complexion of an interesting murder mystery have been noted in the case of Otto Sandstrom, a quarryman, whose body was found Friday morning lying in a foot of water near the carline here.

Although Dr. Ross, the town health officer, decided that the case was one of drowning and that an autopsy was not necessary, the state officials will begin an investigation into the circumstances surrounding the young man's death.

State's Attorney J. C. Jones of Rutland, Attorney General John C. Sargent of Ludlow will confer regarding the advisability of exhuming the body, which had been buried. The interest which the authorities are taking in the case is due largely to the efforts of Miss Esther Anderson of New York, a cousin of the dead man, who came here for the funeral Sunday, and was not satisfied with the verdict of "death by drowning."

Undertaker C. H. Campbell to whose rooms the body was taken said last night that a large swelling was found on the man's stomach, such as might have resulted from a kick or a blow, and could have caused death. He also said that in his opinion Dr. Ross did not extract a sufficient quantity of water from the man's stomach to substantiate the verdict of drowning.

Sandstrom, with his cousin, Sautre Anderson, and another quarryman went to Chittenden Thursday night. Sandstrom left the other two men and went home alone. He left a trolley car at Whipple Hollow, about a mile from where his body was found. The conductor stated yesterday that he was not intoxicated.

A boy, returning home that night, heard cries and moans, and in the morning found the body. The man's hat was found more than 100 yards from the pool yesterday and the sole and heel of one of his shoes was also found some distance away. These facts, together with other minor details, led the investigators to the belief that a struggle occurred. Robbery as a motive is dispelled by the finding of the man's watch and a small sum of money in his pockets.

Sandstrom is survived by four brothers, one of whom, Simon Sandstrom, lives in New York. Sandstrom was born in St. Johnsbury, August 31, 1865, educated in the public schools and at the St. Johnsbury academy. He has been employed by Mrs. Rebecca T. Fairbanks for the last twenty-four years. He joined Caledonia lodge No. 6 in 1887, was admitted to the grand lodge at St. Albans in 1897 and appointed D. D. G. M. for district No. 6. He joined Moose River encampment No. 6 in 1893 and was chief patriarch in 1901 and district D. G. P. in 1902 for district No. 6. He was appointed G. E. sentinel of the grand encampment by E. A. Cook in 1903. Major of the second battalion P. M. since 1905, when the G. U. Odd Fellows' home at Ludlow was opened.

A VERMONT EDITOR  
ACCUSED OF CONTEMPTHildreth of Newport Express and Stan-  
dard Taken into Vermont Supreme  
Court for an Editorial of  
Last March.

Attorney General Sargent of Vermont has filed a complaint against David W. Hildreth, editor of the Newport Express and Standard, charging contempt of court in an editorial printed in his newspaper on March 5, criticising the Vermont supreme court for its decision in a telephone discrimination case and giving a verdict to the New England Telephone company. A subpoena was issued by Chief Justice Rowell and Editor Hildreth was brought into court today.

When Vermont supreme court reconvened at Montpelier yesterday, the Rutland county case of James Crahan vs. the town of Chittenden was argued. The rights of way across a farm in the above named town is involved.

The Addison county court case of state vs. Charles Marston, assault with intent to commit rape, was argued. The Chittenden county case of Alfred W. Belka and wife vs. M. F. Allen was announced settled and discontinued. The Addison county case of the Bristol Manufacturing company vs. E. B. Palmer was also argued yesterday.

## EASY WITH MOTHER OF 19.

Mrs. Crossman of Shrewsbury Fined and  
Sentence Suspended.

Rutland, May 19.—Mrs. Addie Crossman of Shrewsbury, the mother of 19 children, who was recently found guilty by a jury in county court of assaulting Poormaster J. G. Lord of Shrewsbury, was yesterday fined \$25 and costs by Judge Waterman. Sentence was later suspended and she was placed in charge of the probation officer. In view of the light sentence the case will not be taken to supreme court as expected.

O. W. HARWOOD  
of Bennington.  
Elected Grand Patriarch of the Grand  
Encampment for the Coming Year.

O. W. Harwood of Bennington has been elected for the past year grand chief patriarch of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows of Vermont. The grand encampment of the order was held in its history. Fully 100 past chief patriarchs, many of them delegates from their encampments, were present when Grand Patriarch George H. Stearns of St. Johnsbury called the session to order.

CHARLES W. FARR  
of St. Johnsbury.  
Re-elected Grand Scribe of the Grand  
Encampment To-day for 20th Term.

Grand Scribe Farr is past grand of Caledonia lodge No. 6 of St. Johnsbury; past chief patriarch of Moose River encampment No. 6; and past commander of Canton Crescent. He has been grand scribe continuously since 1890.

At the conclusion of the reports of the officers and various committees, the session proceeded to elect its officers for the ensuing year. Olin W. Harwood of Bennington was elected grand chief patriarch; A. W. Roel of Brattleboro, grand chief patriarch; A. King of Burlington, grand senior warden. Charles W. Farr of St. Johnsbury was re-elected grand scribe for the 19th time, having first been elected to this office in 1890. Lyman J. Brown of Bradford was re-elected grand treasurer and L. F. Jones of Island Pond was elected to the office of grand junior warden.

Col. George H. Stearns was elected grand representative to the meeting of the sovereign grand lodge, which will be held in Seattle in September. There are several appointive offices which will be filled this evening. The session adjourned at noon until four o'clock, when its business will be resumed.

## SAW THE QUARRIES.

Fully 200 Odd Fellows Went on Excur-  
sion This Afternoon.

Fully 200 of the visiting Odd Fellows and Rebekahs took advantage of the opportunity to see Barre's famous granite quarries this afternoon. A special train of three cars left the Montpelier and Wells River station at one o'clock bound for the "hill." The excursion train was in charge of Frank Bloin, and George Bagley officiated at the throttle of the Granite City.

The party was in charge of George R. Mine, James M. Bates, and John McGowan and A. E. Bruce, Jr., and they saw the granite quarries under the advantageous guidance of these experts in quarrying.

## PRIZE WINNERS IN DRILL.

Canton Palestine of Brattleboro Carried  
Off Most of the Honors.

The appearance of rain yesterday afternoon did not frighten the Barre people and between three and four thousand turned out to witness the parade of the Patriarchs Militant, Odd Fellows and Rebekahs. Many of the granite plants in the city suspended operations on this account. At the conclusion of the parade the Cantons halted at the corner of Washington and Church streets, where a competitive drill was held.

Two cantons, Vinton No. 9 of Barre and Palestine No. 3 of Brattleboro had completed the drill, and the Rutland canton was ready to begin when rain began to descend almost in torrents. This cut short the remainder of the program of the afternoon and the drill by Canton Rutland and the dress parade were omitted.

The men of Canton Palestine made an excellent appearance, both in the parade and in the competitive drill. Canton Vinton made the mistake of putting too many newly recruited chivaliers into the competitive drill, thereby lessening its chance of the first prize. The judges of the appearance of the cantons and their ability at the drill were Captain L. A. Chapman, 1st U. S. Cavalry, stationed at Norwich university, Northfield; Lieutenant George N. Tilden of Barre; and Captain W. A. Patten of Montpelier.

The prizes were awarded as follows: Canton Vinton, prize of \$15 for the largest number of men in line; prize of \$10 for the largest percentage of total membership in line; second prize of \$5 for competitive drill. Canton Palestine received the first prize of \$10 for competitive drill and also a prize of \$10 for best appearance on parade. The percentage of Canton Palestine toward a perfect score in the competitive drill was 72, while Canton Vinton had 62.

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## BROKE THREE RIBS.

Wells M. Badger Fell from Door Onto a  
Rock and Was Badly Hurt.

Wells M. Badger, the aged father of A. W. Badger of this city, met with a serious accident at the home of his son, E. J. Badger, in Williamstown yesterday afternoon. Mr. Badger went to the barn and in some way he fell from the barn door and struck upon a rock. His son was just driving into the yard as the accident occurred and got Mr. Badger into the house. Medical aid was summoned and it was found that three ribs were broken and that there were symptoms of internal injuries. Owing to his advanced age, his recovery will necessarily be slow.

O. W. HARWOOD  
IS HONOREDBy Election as Grand Chief  
Patriarch To-day

## FOR GRAND ENCAMPMENT

Business Session of Odd Fellows This  
Forenoon, Followed by an Excur-  
sion to Granite Quarries—Other  
Doings of Convention.

The 30th annual session of the grand encampment of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows of Vermont opened at 9:30 this morning with the largest attendance in its history. Fully 100 past chief patriarchs, many of them delegates from their encampments, were present when Grand Patriarch George H. Stearns of St. Johnsbury called the session to order.

The first business of the convention was the receiving of the report of the committee on credentials. Then came the work of conferring the grand encampment degree upon 22 of the past grand patriarchs of the Vermont encampments. The grand patriarch then made his report, followed by that of Grand Scribe C. W. Farr of St. Johnsbury. The grand scribe's report showed that the total membership of the encampments of the state was 1,846 on December 31, 1907, and that there had been since that time until one year later enough to make the total 1,902. During the year there was a loss of 141 members by death and suspension, leaving the total gain five members. Twelve of the encampments of the state have made a gain, while 15 show a decrease and six had exactly the same membership at the end of the year that they had at the beginning.

The largest encampment in the state is Oasie No. 3 of Brattleboro, with a membership of 218. The smallest is Champlain No. 23 of Swanton. This encampment has a membership of 11. The grand scribe's report showed that the total amount paid for relief of members was \$614.95. The report showed that the encampments of the state were in an excellent financial condition and that there is at the present time about \$4,000 more in the treasury than one year ago. At the conclusion of the reports of the officers and various committees, the session proceeded to elect its officers for the ensuing year. Olin W. Harwood of Bennington was elected grand chief patriarch; A. W. Roel of Brattleboro, grand chief patriarch; A. King of Burlington, grand senior warden. Charles W. Farr of St. Johnsbury was re-elected grand scribe for the 19th time, having first been elected to this office in 1890. Lyman J. Brown of Bradford was re-elected grand treasurer and L. F. Jones of Island Pond was elected to the office of grand junior warden.

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The hall was handsomely decorated with red, white and blue bunting, festooned from the walls and from the ceiling. At the upper end of the hall was the official emblem of the Patriarchs Militant in electric lights. Around the sides of the hall were hung banners bearing emblems, each of which has a significance attaching to some degree of the order.

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## Notes on the Convention.

The visiting Odd Fellows and Rebekahs have nothing but words of praise for their general reception by their brethren and the citizens of Barre in general.

The people who attended the Patriarchs Militant hall at Woodmen's hall last evening were in a position to appreciate the courtesy of the Consolidated Lighting company in tearing the lights burning until 3 a. m.

Both the large and the small of the membership of the military branch of the order in the state were in evidence in the parade yesterday. The main man is Chevalier Nathan B. Master of Burlington, who claims to be the smallest Odd Fellow in the state. He is under five feet in height and weighs less than 100 pounds. On the other extreme, Chevalier Frank Hubbard of Rutland stands six feet and several inches in height and weighs over 300 pounds.

There was some comment on the fact that no horses appeared in the parade yesterday. Col. Haigh explains that he cannot ride and that he finds that most of the officers are unable to do so with any degree of grace or comfort. Hence the absence of the equines.

Judging by the number of photographers along the line of march, there must have been "snapped" pictures of the party in all its conditions, from dry, when it started to soaked, when its component parts scattered for shelter as it was dismissed.

Canton Palestine first, Canton Crescent second, Canton Lafayette third, Canton Vinton fourth, Canton Rutland fifth. The number of men that each canton had in line were Vinton 28, Palestine 21, Lafayette 18, Crescent 17, Rutland 17, Franklin eight, Woodstock three. The cantons which were represented by but few chivaliers joined forces with those whose representation was larger.

## DECORATION OF CHIVALRY.

Ceremonies Witnessed by Large Crowd  
at Opera House.

Fully 700 people were at the opera house last evening to hear the concert by Gilbertson's orchestra and to witness the ceremony of conferring the decoration of chivalry upon those recommended to receive it. The concert program was as follows: overture, "Lairline," W. V. Wallace; selection from the opera "Cio-cio," F. V. Suppe; clarinet solo, W. E. Dufur, "Grand Fantasia," Kroepala. The numbers of the program were well received and loudly applauded. Especially pleasing was Mr. Dufur's clarinet solo, he kindly responded to the applause with an encore.

The grand decoration of chivalry was conferred upon Col. W. T. Haigh by Col. E. A. Spear and staff. Upon the stage were Cantons Vinton and Palestine with their members in full dress uniform. The grand decoration was conferred by Col. Spear, who was deputized by the grand scribe for this purpose.

The decoration of chivalry was conferred upon Major B. H. Stickney of Rutland, Capt. R. H. Ramsey of Barre, Chevalier C. E. Sturges of Brattleboro, Mrs. Nora M. Jackson of Barre, Mrs. Sylvia P. Walker of Bellows Falls, Mrs. Ella M. Dingham of Rutland and Mrs. Frances Stone of Springfield. This decoration was conferred by Col. Haigh and his staff, assisted by Mrs. O. E. Philbrick, Mrs. D. C. Watt, Miss Nellie Blanchard and Miss O'Brien. The decorations were pinned upon the breasts of the candidates by Little Mildred Stone.

The hall was handsomely decorated for the occasion with bunting, flags and emblematic banners.

## 200 COUPLES AT BALL.

Grand Social Function in Honor of the  
Visiting Odd Fellows.

The Patriarchs Militant hall given by Canton Vinton No. 9 at Woodmen's hall last night was a fitting close to a successful opening day of the grand bodies of Odd Fellows. The hall was one of the most brilliant events ever held in Barre and one of which its promoters can justly be proud. The beautiful decorations, the handsome dresses of the ladies, and the red, purple and gold in the uniforms of the chivaliers made the hall appear like a maze of color, as the dancers turned to the music of the orchestra.

There were nearly 200 couples present, and all enjoyed the dancing until a late hour. Shortly before 10 o'clock the grand march with 90 couples in line started, led by Col. and Mrs. W. T. Haigh of Brattleboro; second in line came Col. E. A. Spear and Miss Josephine Farmer, noble grand of the Brattleboro Rebekah lodge.

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## Want to Build Block.

F. G. Howland inquired what the street committee or the council had done in regard to the proposition made by him to the council two weeks ago relative to widening Keith avenue. Alderman Campbell of the street committee said that on account of Alderman Thurston, chairman of the committee, being unable to attend to the matter during the past two weeks, the committee had made no report as yet. He stated, however, that he had tried to get the new owners of the French lot and Dr. H. O. Worthen together with a view of bringing about a settlement over the strip of land between the French lot and the street without the city's entering into the difficulty. He got them together in conference, he said, but they did not get together on a settlement.

Mr. Howland stated that the owners of the French lot were anxious to get the matter settled in some way as soon as possible, as they were contemplating erecting a building on the lot. He said that he had made several propositions to Dr. Worthen but the latter had not consented to accept them. He thought the street should be widened and that now was the best time for the city to do it rather than after a block has been erected. The owners, he said, were ready to give the city a strip not to exceed five feet in width for a sidewalk on the Keith avenue side of the lot. The mayor said that it seemed that the only way for the city to do was to take regular course of condemning this strip of land owned by Dr. Worthen.

Alderman Campbell then made a motion that the city attorney be instructed to act with the street committee in conferring again with Dr. Worthen and make a report at the special meeting this week. This was done, and the mayor stated that he would call the special meeting of the council on Friday evening.

## Miscellaneous Business.

Building permits were ordered granted to K. A. Lane to build a barn on Hill street; to M. K. Shibley to make over a woodshed into a barn; to Mrs. C. D. Carpenter to remodel a barn on West street into a dwelling and to Alex. Ritchie to mose a henhouse.

The health officer reported 28 births in April and 9 deaths.

A permit was granted B. Gasparello

TO QUARRY ST.  
VIA AYERS ST.An Extension of Street Rail-  
road Recommended

## INSPIRE OF R. R.'S PROTESTS

City Council Instructs Trolley System  
to Make Extension—Universalist Soci-  
ety Is Granted Extension in Which  
to Pay Paving Assessment.

It was recommended by the city council, as a committee of the whole, at their meeting last evening that the Barre & Montpelier Power and Traction company be instructed to extend their street railway tracks to Quarry street, via Ayers and Circle streets, and the report of the committee containing this recommendation was accepted on motion made by Alderman Alexander.

The committee of the whole in its report stated that they had been to the ground with the directors of the railway company on May 13, and that the directors had made objections to either the South Main street or the Ayers street routes. They objected to South Main street on account of the steep grade and the Barre railroad sidetracks that had to be crossed at the foot of the hill. The hill, the directors say, is so steep that the brakes would not hold a car coming down. The Ayers street route was objected to by them on account of the railroad crossing again, but their chief objection, the committee reported, was that the company was not in a financial condition at the present time to conveniently make any extension of its lines.

The committee ended its report by recommending that the city instruct the company to extend its tracks by the Ayers street route and the council accepted the report without any discussion.